

CAPPS, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. OSE, Mr. HILL of Indiana, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. FARR of California.

H. Con. Res. 37: Mr. FORBES, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. DIXON, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. ROHRBACHER, and Mr. GILMAN.

H. Con. Res. 51: Mr. BERMAN.

H. Con. Res. 54: Mr. LANTOS, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. HYDE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. HILL of Indiana, Mr. BAIRD, Ms. BERKELY, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. WU, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. MOORE, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. ROTHMAN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. SALMON, Mr. NADLER, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. HOYER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, and Mr. ACKERMAN.

H. Res. 16: Mr. LAHOOD.

H. Res. 41: Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. HAYES, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina.

H. Res. 59: Mr. GOSS, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. TANNER, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. PICKETT, and Mr. GILLMOR.

H. Res. 79: Mr. HYDE.

H. Res. 82: Mr. McDERMOTT and Mr. GONZALEZ.

H. Res. 89: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. CLEMENT, and Mr. GORDON.

H. Res. 94: Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. PASTOR, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H. Res. 99: Mr. PORTER, Mr. HYDE, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. GOODLING.

H. Res. 107: Mr. WEXLER, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. KIND, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mr. FROST.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1999 (25)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

25.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, March 17, 1999.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

25.2 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XIV, were referred as follows:

1102. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the 1999 Department of Defense Annual Report to the President and the Congress, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 113 (c) and (e); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1103. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting Notification of intent to obligate funds for test projects for inclusion in the Fiscal Year 1999 Foreign Comparative Testing (FCT) Program, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2350a(g); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1104. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Uniform Financial Reporting Standards for HUD Housing Programs; Technical Amendment [Docket No. FR-4321-F-05] (RIN: 2501-AC49) received February 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1105. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Develop-

ment, transmitting the Department's final rule—Home Equity Conversion Mortgages; Consumer Protection Measures Against Excessive Fees [Docket No. FR-4306-F-02] (RIN: 2502-AH10) received February 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1106. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, transmitting the Board's final rule—Risk-Based Capital Standards: Construction Loans on Presold Residential Properties; Junior Liens on 1- to 4-Family Residential Properties; and Investments in Mutual Funds [Regulation Y; Docket No. R-0948] received February 25, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1107. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, transmitting the Board's final rule—Risk-Based Capital Standards: Construction Loans on Presold Residential Properties; Junior Liens on 1- to 4-Family Residential Properties; and Investments in Mutual Funds. Leverage Capital Standards; Tier 1 Leverage Ratio (RIN: 3064-AB 96) received February 26, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1108. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Vehicle Certification; Contents of Certification Labels for Multipurpose Passenger Vehicles and Light Duty Trucks [Docket No. NHTSA-99-5047] (RIN: 2127-AG65) received February 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1109. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Delaware—Transportation Conformity Regulation [DE036-1018a; FRL-6303-4] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1110. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Amendment to National Standards of Performance for Steel Plants: Electric Arc Furnaces Constructed After October 21, 1974, and On or Before August 17, 1983, and Electric Arc Furnaces Constructed After August 17, 1983 [AD-FRL-6234-8] (RIN: 2060-AH95) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1111. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Definitions of VOCs and Exempt Compounds [DE041-1019a; FRL-6238-7] received March 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1112. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Greeley Carbon Monoxide Redesignation to Attainment, Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes, and Approval of a Related Revision [CO-001-0029a; FRL-6236-7] received March 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1113. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—NRC Inspection Manual—received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1114. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Strategic Petroleum Reserve Plan Amendment No. 5, which allows the Department of Energy to use all the authorities under the Act to acquire oil for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, including federal royalty oil; to the Committee on Commerce.

1115. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Frequently Asked Questions About the Statement of the Commission Regarding Disclosure of Year 2000 Issues and Consequences to Public Companies—received March 1, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1116. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Exemption of the Securities of the Kingdom of Belgium under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for Purposes of Trading Futures Contracts on Those Securities [Release No. 34-41116, International Series Release No. 1186, File No. S7-15-98] (RIN: 3235-AH46) received March 1, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1117. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Changes To Quality Assurance Programs (RIN: 3150-AG-20) received February 26, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1118. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 99-0A, which relates to the Department of the Army's proposed enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability of defense article(s) previously sold to Singapore, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b)(5); to the Committee on International Relations.

1119. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1120. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Prohibition on Assistance to Drug Traffickers [Public Notice 2840] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

1121. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the FY 1998 Annual Report on U.S. Government Assistance to and Cooperative Activities with the New Independent States of the Former Soviet Union; to the Committee on International Relations.

1122. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions and Deletions—received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1123. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Prevailing Rate Systems; Abolishment of the Marion, Indiana, Non-appropriated Fund Wage Area (RIN: 3206-AH60) received March 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1124. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Prevailing Rate Systems; Abolishment of the Marion, Indiana, Non-appropriated Fund Wage Area (RIN: 3206-AH60) received March 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.